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second input torque estimating unit for estimating a second input-torque of said automatic transmission using a torque-converter characteristic;

deviation calculating unit for calculating a deviation of said first estimated input-torque and said second estimated input-torque; and

correcting unit for correcting said first estimated input torque using said deviation.

REMARKS

Applicant acknowledges receipt of a telephone call from the Examiner in charge of this application, Mr. Zanelli, pointing out that the amendment to Claim 8 as set forth in the supplemental amendment filed June 14, 2000 is in the incorrect format. Accordingly, Applicant has prepared and submitted the foregoing amendment in the correct format.

Counsel thanks the Examiner, Mr. Zanelli, for his assistance in pointing out this oversight to counsel, in order to advance the prosecution of this application as quickly as possible, and avoid incurring unnecessary extension fees. The Examiner's cooperation in this regard is greatly appreciated.

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In view of the surrender of U.S. Patent No. 5, 510,982 and the submission of the Cumulative Final Reissue Declaration with the amendment submitted June 14, 2000, and in accordance with the Advisory Action dated June 21, 2000, this application is now believed to be in condition for allowance.

If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and shortages in other fees, be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Deposit Account of Evenson, McKeown, Edwards & Lenahan, P.L.L.C., Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381TO/41092RE).

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